

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Sericulture Department – Disciplinary proceedings initiated against Sri G. Venkatachalapathy, Ex-Inspector of Sericulture for allegations of irregularities for non clearance of due to seed area while working at D.P.A.P.Grainage, Kuppam, Chittoor District – Penalty awarded – Representation submitted – Penalty reduced – Orders – Issued.

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AGRICULTURE & COOPERATION (VIG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 929

Dated: 12-07-2010

Read the following:-

1. Procs.No.5289/96-B1-A, dt.30-06-2000 of DoS, Hyderabad.
2. From A.P.A.T. Order dt.31-03-2003 in O.A.No.10182/2002.
3. G.O.Ms.No.54, Agri. & Coop.(Vig.II)Dept., dt.17-02-2004.
4. G.O.Ms.No.201, Agri. & Coop.(Vig.II)Dept., dt.07-09-2006.
5. G.O.Rt.No.930, Agri & Coop.(Vig.II)Dept., dt.14-09-2006.
6. From A.P.A.T. Common order dt.29-10-2009, in O.A.Nos.8078/2007, 7582/2007, 8021/2007, 8038/2007, 7578/2007, 8083/2007 & 1453/2008.
7. GORt.Nos.306, 307, 309 to 313, Agri. & Coop.(Vig.II)Dept., dt.09-03-2010.
8. From Sri G. Venkatachalapathy, Ex-Inspector of Sericulture & Sericulture Officer(Retired), Representation dt.12-05-2010.

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ORDER:

In this disciplinary case, in the reference 1st read above, the Director of Sericulture, Hyderabad awarded a penalty of “Stoppage of three annual grade increments with cumulative effect besides recovery of the entire due amount of Rs.1,77,539-95 Ps.” against Sri G. Venkatachalapathy, Ex-Inspector of Sericulture for the alleged irregularities for non clearance of due to seed area while working at D.P.A.P.Grainage, Kuppam, Chittoor District.

2. The A.P.Administrative Tribunal in its order dt.31-03-2003 in O.A.No.10182/2002 filed by Sri S. Venkataramana, Inspector of Sericulture(Dismised) directed, inter alia, to pass orders which shall be in uniformity with the orders passed in respect of similarly situated persons.

3. In the light of above A.P.Administrative Tribunal orders, in exercise of powers conferred under Rule 43 of A.P.C.S.(CCA)Rules, 1991, Government took up revision of the penalty orders issued by the Director of Sericulture, Hyderabad against (24) individuals, whose cases are similarly situated and issued necessary orders accordingly. Sri G. Venkatachalapathy, Ex-Inspector of Sericulture & Sericulture Officer (Retired) is one among the above (24) individuals.

4. After careful examination of the matter, Government, in the reference 5th read above, issued orders confirming the penalty orders issued by the Director of Sericulture, Hyderabad against Sri G. Venkatachalapathy, Ex-Inspector of Sericulture.

5. In the above case, among the above (24) persons, (7) persons have approached the A.P.A.T. and filed O.A.Nos. 8078/2007, 7582/2007, 8021/2007, 8038/2007, 7578/2007, 8083/2007 & 1453/2008 against the penalties awarded against them by the CoS, Hyderabad and confirmed by the Government by under revision.

6. The A.P. Administrative Tribunal in its common order dt.29-10-2009, in O.A. Nos. 8078/2007, 7582/2007, 8021/2007, 8038/2007, 7578/2007, 8083/2007 & 1453/2008 have ordered as follows:-

“....It is a fact that the Applicants were entrusted with the stocks of eggs for marketing purpose. They sold the eggs to various customers on credit basis, without the permission of the higher authorities. The Applicants could recover some of the amounts and there was also late remittance and some more amounts could not be realized from the alleged customers. Therefore, from the record, it is made out that there was dereliction of duty on the part of the Applicants, but subsequently, they remitted the amounts due to the Government. Therefore, I am of the view that a lenient view can be taken regarding the imposition of punishment.

In the light of the above circumstances, the O.As are disposed of. The order of recovery stands confirmed in view of the remittance said to be made by the Applicants. If any amount remained due, the Respondents are at liberty to recover the amount from the respective Applicants. The punishment of stoppage of three annual grade increments with cumulative effect is modified by reducing the same into stoppage of one increment with cumulative effect. No costs”.

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7. Government, after careful examination of the entire matter with reference to the common orders dt.29-10-2009 of A.P.Administrative Tribunal in O.A.Nos.8078/2007, 7582/2007, 8021/2007, 8038/2007, 7578/2007, 8083/2007 & 1453/2008, have reduced the penalty of 'Stoppage of three annual grade increments with cumulative effect' to that of "Stoppage of one annual grade increment without – repeat without cumulative effect besides recovery against seven individuals vide reference 7th read above.

8. Sri G. Venkatachalapathy, Ex-Inspector of Sericulture & Sericulture Officer(Retired) has submitted a representation dt.12-05-2010 before Government requesting to issue similar orders as was done in the case of individuals, whose cases were considered vide reference 7th read above.

9. Government have examined the entire matter yet again carefully and decided to consider the request of Sri G. Venkatachalapathy, Ex-Inspector of Sericulture & Sericulture Officer(Retired) to reduce the penalty of 'Stoppage of three annual grade increments with cumulative effect' to that of "Stoppage of one annual grade increment without – repeat without cumulative effect besides recovery" against him in the above disciplinary case.

10. Accordingly, Government hereby reduce the penalty of "Stoppage of three annual grade increments with cumulative effect" to that of "Stoppage of one annual grade increment without - repeat without cumulative effect besides recovery" against Sri G. Venkatachalapathy, Ex-Inspector of Sericulture & Sericulture Officer(Retired) in the above disciplinary case.

11. The Commissioner of Sericulture, A.P., Hyderabad shall take necessary action in the matter, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

A.K. GOEL

A.P.C. & SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri G. Venkatachalapathy, Ex-Inspector of Sericulture &
Sericulture Officer (Retired)

(Through: The Commissioner of Sericulture, A.P., Hyderabad)

Copy to:-

The Commissioner of Sericulture, A.P., Hyderabad.

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